

get-me-nots; Miss Cotter (Greystown), cream embroidered voile, cream hat with lace and white flowers; Mrs Warburton, black silk, bodice handsomely trimmed with white silk embroidery. Tuscany hat with black flowers and foliage; Miss Warburton, pale blue cloth Eton costume, pale blue hat with white lace; Mrs C. Waldegrave, black silk voile, deep yoke of cream lace, black hat with black and white tips; Miss Waldegrave, cream canvas voile, with cream silk beading, pale blue chiffon hat; Miss Dorothy Waldegrave, white muslin and lace, white lace hat; Mrs Frank Waldegrave (Wellington), champagne embroidered voile, transparent lace vest, pale green hat; Mrs S. Fitzherbert (Feilding), pale blue cloth, two capes on shoulders edged with lace, burnt straw hat with brown and fawn tulle; Mrs Revington Jones (Feilding), pale blue cloth Eton costume, pale blue straw hat with white wings; Mrs A. McBeth (Kiwitea), white and heliotrope floral muslin, toque of violets; Mrs Blundell (Wellington), bright blue voile, cream lace insertion, fawn and green straw hat with wreath of pink roses; Mrs Hankins, black voile skirt, cream silk blouse, long cream coat, cerise floral hat; Miss Hankins, pink floral muslin, folds on skirt edged with white lace, white lace hat with wreath of pale pink roses; Mrs Fitzherbert, navy and white cloth coat and skirt, navy toque with glass bows; Miss Fitzherbert, grey muslin and white lace, cream hat with pink roses; Miss Loris Fitzherbert, grey muslin and lace, white lace hat; Miss Fookes (New Plymouth), grey voile, white lace yoke, grey hat with grey silk edged with white lace; Miss Smith (Wellington), cream serge coat and skirt, cream hat with pink roses; Miss Collins, white linen, green linen collar and strapping, floral hat; Mrs Percy Baldwin, cream serge skirt, cream silk and lace blouse, violet floral toque; Mrs Phazouza (Feilding), cream and pale green floral muslin, darker shade of silk sash, burnt straw hat with cerise roses; Mrs Godfrey Baldwin (Levin), white embroidered linen, burnt straw hat, with wreath of deep pink roses; Miss Randolph, navy and white spotted voile, cream lace yoke, yellow and green floral hat; Miss Nicholl, white linen, white hat with white ruching; Mrs Douglas (Hawke's Bay), white linen coat and skirt, grey stole, pink floral hat; Miss Ellie Robinson, cream serge Eton costume, burnt straw hat with crimson roses and foliage; Miss Belle Robinson, cream voile, cream hat with pale blue and pink satin ribbon; Miss Doris Robinson, white muslin and lace, cream hat with pink and green satin ribbon; Mrs Bennett (Hawke's Bay), black silk, white lace yoke, black and white tulle bonnet, black and white tips; Mrs Cato (Hawke's Bay), grey phaid silk, white lace vest, white hat with black velvet ribbon and white wings; Mrs Bennett (Bainesse), grey voile with Paris lace insertion, grey and pink tulle toque, with grey feather; Miss Eva Bennett (Hawke's Bay), cream and pale pink floral muslin, burnt straw hat with scarlet flowers; Mrs Milton, black and white spotted muslin, cream hat with pink roses; Miss Irvine, navy and white check silk, navy hat with pink flowers; Mrs Louison, grey Eton costume, pale pink cloth collar, cream hat with ribbon and pink

roses; Miss Armstrong, navy blue voile, cream lace yoke, cream hat with pink roses; Miss Alice Reed, cream serge coat and skirt, pale blue hat; Mrs Bell, black silk, cream lace yoke and medallions, black hat; Mrs Tripe, pale grey voile, white lace yoke, wide grey and pink floral glaze belt, black hat with tips; Miss Bell, white linen Eton coat and skirt, white hat with wreath of white daisies; Miss Gwen Bell, white linen, floral hat; Mrs A. Bell, pink floral muslin, pink toque; Mrs Gifford-Moore, electric blue cloth, white embroidered silk revers, pink chiffon toque with aigrette; Mrs Buick, fawn crash coat and skirt, violet toque with white tulle; Miss Buick, navy blue voile, cream lace fichu, burnt straw hat with pink and crimson roses; Miss Lily Buick, pink floral muslin, burnt straw hat with pink and green satin ribbon; Mrs Wood, navy blue cloth coat and skirt, white revers, cream straw hat with pink and white roses; Miss Wood, cream voile, wide pale blue crossband, pale blue hat; Miss Clara Wood, cream, cream hat with cerise flowers; Mrs J. M. Johnston, white linen coat and skirt, white hat with pink and fawn ribbon; Mrs J. Pascal, heliotrope and white floral muslin, cream hat with lilac; Mrs Elsie McLennan, grey cloth coat and skirt, Tuscany hat with violet passies; Miss Slack, white embroidered muslin, floral hat; Mrs Knight, navy blue voile, cream lace trimming, black hat with tips; Miss Knight, pale pink voile, brown tulle hat; Mrs Jamieson, white embroidered coat and skirt, black hat with tips, blue parasol; Mrs Dean O. Shute, cream serge coat and skirt, brown hat with brown tulle; Mrs Hallan, white muslin and lace, black hat with white tulle and black and white tulle tips; Mrs Bunting, pale grey voile, pale blue floral toque; Mrs F. S. McKee, cream embroidered muslin over pale blue satin, floral hat; Mrs Journaux, white linen coat and skirt, white hat with white ruching; Mrs Loughnan, white linen, pale pink silk belt, black and white toque. VIOLET.

WANGANUI.

Dear Bee, January 5.

Nearly all Wanganui seems to be away holiday-making. There is therefore a great dearth of social news. Several small private picnics were given last week, and a number of people were camping out for Christmas at the Kai Iwi Beach, but the weather has been anything but favourable.

Amongst some smart toilettes worn recently, I noticed: Mrs Banks, in a beautiful silk muslin with a floral design of pink and pale yellow roses on it, and festoons of deep cream silk lace on the skirt and corsage, dull green shaded straw toque with a large bird at the side; Mrs Williams, in a pastel blue canvas gown with wide swathed belt of a deeper shade of silk, full bodice with yoke of champagne lace, gauged elbow sleeves with a fall of champagne lace to the wrist, pretty cream straw toque with wreath of tiny heliotrope flowers in it.

HUIA.

WELLINGTON.

Dear Bee, January 6.

The most interesting thing I have to tell you this week is the wedding of Miss Millie Stuart and Lieutenant Hancock, which was celebrated in Colombo. Of course, it is a month ago now, but accounts of the ceremony only arrived by the last mail. It was so nice for Miss Stuart having her mother and two sisters with her, the two girls, of course, being bridesmaids. The wedding took place from the house of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, the latter being a great friend of Miss Stuart's. The navy was present in good force, and altogether it seems to have been the cheeriest and gayest wedding imaginable. Mrs. and Miss O. Stuart are now on their way back to New Zealand, but Miss Nora Stuart has gone on to England, where she will spend about a year before returning home.

Wellington is still wearing a holiday air, though people are beginning to find their way back. A good many country people have been here shopping at the sales, which have begun unusually early.

Several people from Wellington have gone the Sounds excursion, which seems to grow more popular every year.

Last Friday a good many people went to Mrs. Grace's to say good-bye to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grace, who have gone back to South Africa, after a sojourn of several months here. Mrs. Grace wore black crepe de chine, with a vest and cuffs of delicate lace; Miss Grace had a pretty ivory voile, with a deep Empire belt; Mrs. Walter Grace was in tinted union de soie, with ruffles of lace. Among the guests were: Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. and Miss Johnston, Mrs. Duncan, Mrs. Tweed, Miss E.H., and several others. Miss Grace's marriage to Mr. Dalziel is to be celebrated before Easter, after which they and Mrs. Grace are going to England.

On Friday Mrs. Edwin gave a small but pleasant tea in honour of her nephew and niece, Captain and Mrs. Gibson, who had arrived the preceding week from England. Mrs. Edwin wore black voile over glaze, with quillings of satin. Miss Edwin was in white silk, with black lace insertion; and her sisters were in pretty muslin dresses, with chine sashes; Mrs. Gidrac wore a very smart gown of hyacinth blue taffetas, with narrow quiltings of silk; the yoke was of this lace, which also formed ruffles to the elaborate elbow sleeves; satin straw hat with plumes of shaded blue; Miss Harding was in pale green voile, and a black hat; and her sister had a pretty floral muslin; Mrs. H. Harding wore black tailor-made, and a black picture hat; Mrs. Johnston was in black crepe de chine, with a black and white bonnet; Miss Johnston, black glaze, and smart black hat; Mrs. Wallis, figured voile, and floral hat; Mrs. Craw-

ford, white cloth, and rose pink toque; Mrs. Travers, white cloth, and shaded mauve hat; Misses Co'eridge pretty muslin dresses; Mrs. A. Duncan, grey coat and skirt, and smart hat.

On Wednesday Miss Morrah gave a small garden party. The day was lovely, and the spacious garden looked its best. A good deal of croquet was played during the afternoon. Miss Morrah wore a dress of biscuit linen, and a becoming lace hat; Mrs. Morrah, black crepe de chine; Miss — Morrah, figured voile dress. Among the guests were: Mrs. Plunkett Cole (Australia), wearing blue and white spotted voile, and a smart hat; and Miss Cole, who wore white muslin and Valenciennes lace; Misses Seed, Dransfield, Von Dadelzen, Quick, Bulta, Harding, Simpson, Edwin.

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